



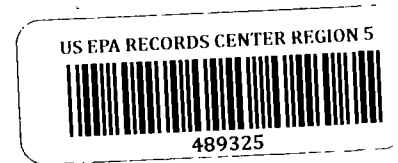
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Dear Ms. Desai:

Re: Monthly Progress Report - May 2012  
Former Plainwell, Inc. Mill Property Operable Unit No. 7  
Allied Paper, Inc./Portage Creek/Kalamazoo River Superfund Site  
Allegan and Kalamazoo County

As required by Task 8, Progress Reports in the Statement of Work of the Remedial Investigation and Feasibility Study (RI/FS) at the former Plainwell, Inc. Mill Property, please find attached three copies of the Progress Report No. 67 for the period of May 1, 2012 through May 31, 2012.

Should you have any questions or require any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Yours truly,

CONESTOGA-ROVERS & ASSOCIATES

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**Progress Report No. 67  
May 1, 2012 to May 31, 2012**

**Remedial Investigation and Feasibility Study  
Former Plainwell, Inc. Mill Property  
Plainwell, Michigan**

This progress report is being submitted to the United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) in accordance with Task 8: Progress Reports and the Schedule for Major Deliverables contained in the Statement of Work for the Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study (RI/FS), pursuant to the terms of the Consent Decree for the Design and Implementation of Certain Response Actions at Operable Unit No. 4 and the Plainwell, Inc. Mill Property (Site) Operational Unit No. 7 of the Allied Paper, Inc./Portage Creek/Kalamazoo River Superfund Site (Consent Decree), which became effective February 22, 2005.

**1. Work Performed**

- Data validation of soil samples collected in the vicinity of MW-16 on March 29, 2012 to define the nature and extent of PCBs identified in soil during the RI.
- Meeting and Site walkthrough on May 24, 2012 with representatives from the U.S. EPA, Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ), Weyerhaeuser, and CRA related to activities conducted on the Site by the MDOT, Michigan Gas Utilities, and contractors on behalf of the City of Plainwell in support of redevelopment during the month of April 2012 and general status of the on-going work at the Site.

**2. Data Received**

- Receipt of complete sample results from soil samples collected in support of redevelopment activities in the vicinity of MW-16 on March 29, 2012 to define the nature and extent of polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs) identified in soil during the RI.

**3. Modifications to Work Plans or Other Schedules  
Proposed to, or Approved by, the U.S. EPA**

- None.

**4. Problems Encountered and Planned Resolution**

- An error was identified associated with the use of certain sample locations relative to individual redevelopment areas associated with the Human Health Risk Assessment (HHRA) submitted as part of the RI Report. U.S. EPA was informed of this error on May 24, 2012 and revisions to particular sections of the RI Report will be completed and submitted to U.S. EPA and MDEQ.

**5. Work Anticipated During the Next Reporting Period**

- Submittal of responses for comments received from U.S. EPA on the work plan for additional RI investigation activities.
- Submittal of Summary Memorandum for soil samples collected in the vicinity of MW-16 on March 29, 2012 to define the nature and extent of PCBs identified in soil during the RI.
- Implementation of activities summarized in the work plan for additional RI investigation activities, upon approval of work plan by U.S. EPA.
- Submittal of memorandum summarizing the results of samples collected at the Site in the vicinity of the activities conducted on the Site by the MDOT, Michigan Gas Utilities, and contractors on behalf of the City of Plainwell in support of redevelopment during the month of April 2012. Activities included the initiation of installation and/or realignment of storm sewer and natural gas lines, and demolition of portions of the Mill Buildings.

**6. Anticipated Development with Work during the Next Period**

- None.

**7. Other Relevant Information**

- None.